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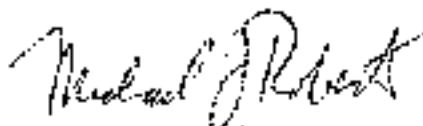
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Reports Analysis Division  
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To whom it may concern:

In response to your recent letter (enclosed), we have written to the Shelby for U.S. Senate committee to seek a refund for the contribution that inadvertently exceeded the primary limit. A copy of our letter is also enclosed. We expect to receive that refund soon and will disclose it on Schedule A as required.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please call with any questions about our response.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Roberts  
Administrator

Enclosures (2)

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**Piper Rudnick**  
**Political Action Committee (PAC)**

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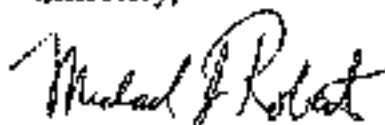
Ms. Pamela Blackwell, Treasurer  
Shelby for U.S. Senate  
P.O. Box 1091  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

Dear Treasurer:

We regret to report that we have discovered that the Piper Rudnick PAC has inadvertently made an excessive contribution to Shelby for Senate. On May 8, 2001, Verner Lipfert PAC contributed \$5000, attributed to the Senator's primary election. On June 25, 2003, the PAC (renamed Piper Rudnick PAC following the consolidation of the two firms) contributed \$5000, also intended to be attributed to the primary. Most recently, the PAC gave \$5000 on September 22, 2003 for the Senator's general election. Therefore, we must request a refund of \$5000 for the contribution made in June for the primary.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please call if I can answer any questions about this request.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Roberts  
Administrator

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November 26, 2003

John Merrigan, Treasurer  
Piper Rudnick LLP Political Action Committee  
901 15<sup>th</sup> Street N.W. Suite 700  
Washington, DC 20005

**Response Due Date:**  
**December 26, 2003**

Identification Number: C00151340

Reference: Mid-Year Report (5/01/03-6/30/03)

Dear Mr. Merrigan:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:**

-Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

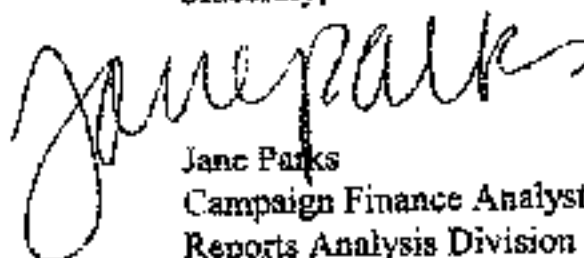
Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1137.

Sincerely,



Jane Parks  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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